

Application No. 10/529,477  
Preliminary Amendment

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

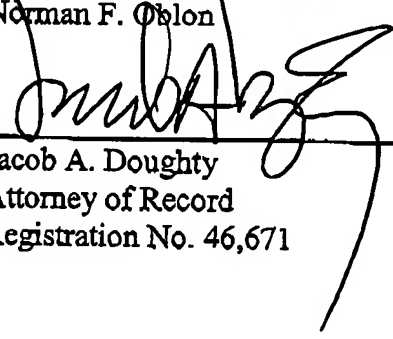
Claims 1 and 3-10 are pending. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 2 and 11 are cancelled and claims 1 and 7-9 are amended. Support for the amendments to claims 1 and 7-9 can be found, for example, in original claims 1-11. No new matter is added.

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed concurrently with a Request for Participation in the Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Pilot Program and Petition to Make Special under the PPH Pilot Program.

In view of the foregoing, prompt examination and allowance are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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